



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : John Crescenti et al.
Application No. : 09/354,063 Examiner : Ella Colbert
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Title: : MODULAR BACKUP AND RETRIEVAL SYSTEM

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Madam:

This is in response to the Office Action dated July 31, 2003 containing a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment and follows a Response to Office Action dated July 10, 2003, an Office Action dated June 10, 2003 containing a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (Voluntary Revised Practice), a Response to Office Action dated June 2, 2003, an Office Action dated November 14, 2002, a Request for Continued Examination on March 14, 2003, and an interview with the Examiner conducted May 20, 2003 at the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Applicant submits this Response as requested by the Legal Instruments Examiner to respond to compliance issues raised by the Legal Instruments Examiner under 37 CFR 1.121 regarding clean and marked-up versions of the specification. As further described below in the Remarks, Applicant believes that Applicant's previous Response to Office Action dated July 10, 2003, copy of which is included herewith, satisfied the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121 and Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration.